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(e) whether the Government will be pleased to state the number of gentlemen castewar now occupying the post of District and Sessions Judges and additional District and Sessions Judges in the Presidency either permanently or temporarily?

A.—(a) The answer to the first part of the clause is in the negative; the second part does not arise.

(b) The Government have no information.

(c) No.

(d) The Government do not admit that his 'claims' have been overlooked.

(e) The figures as they stood on 1st September 1927 are given below:—

Brahmans	13
Non-Brahman Hindus	3
Muhammadans	2
Non-Asiatics and Anglo-Indians	9
Indian Christians	1

Mr. B. Ramachandra Reddi:—"May I know with reference to clause (b), whether any individual Member of the Government knows that information?"

The hon. Mr. A. Y. G. Campbell:—"I do not know, Sir."

Valuation of small-cause suits in the original and appellate sides.

*720 Q.—Mr. A. B. Shetty: Will the hon. the Law Member be pleased to state—

(a) whether in suits of a small-cause nature, tried by District Munsifs on the original side, from whose decisions appeals are entertained in district courts, court-fee at $7\frac{1}{2}$ per cent is collected in the court of first instance, and at $11\frac{1}{4}$ per cent in the appellate court, in all the district courts in the Presidency;

(b) if not, in which courts it is so levied; and

(c) whether the Government propose to remove the anomaly by amending the Court Fees Act, so that even in appeals in such suits, a court-fee of only $7\frac{1}{2}$ per cent is collected?

A.—(a) Yes.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) The matter is under consideration.

Mr. A. B. Shetty:—"May I know how long it has been under consideration and when a decision is likely to be reached?"

The hon. Mr. A. Y. G. Campbell:—"I must ask for notice for the first part of the question. I cannot answer the second part."

Mr. A. B. Shetty:—"How long it has been under consideration?"

The hon. Mr. A. Y. G. Campbell:—"I must ask for notice of the question."